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ATTENTION:

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Re:

Utility Patent Application Transmittal

First Inventor or Application Identifier: Stanislaw M. Kocimski

Title: METHOD OF CHARACTERIZING A SEMICONDUCTOR

SURFACE

Attorney Docket No.: 1067.038

Dear Sir:

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Enclosed is a United States patent application which includes 25 pages of specification, 24 total claims (3 independent), 1 Abstract of the Disclosure, 8 sheets of informal drawings (size $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$), an executed Declaration, and an executed Assignment to Veeco Instruments Inc.

Our checks in the amount of \$782.00 for the filing fee plus \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1080 for any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to this account.

Respectfully submitted,

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